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THE TRI-COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (TCEDC)
AND BUTTE COMMUNITY BANK PARTNER IN EXPANDING THE TCEDC
BUSINESS EXPANSION LOAN POOL

Chico, Calif.- March 4, 2008- Keith Robbins, President and CEO of Community Valley Bancorp and Marc Nemanic, Executive Director of the Tri-County Economic Development Corporation, today announced the completion of an investment by Butte Community Bank of \$250,000 to augment the business expansion loan pool managed by TCEDC. “This strategic partnership with Butte Community Bank will help TCEDC fulfill the growing loan demand for credit-worthy small businesses that cannot obtain all their financing needs through conventional lenders” commented Mr. Nemanic. “We believe that this partnership will compliment our diverse community investments made since the Bank’s inception; we are a firm believer that community economic vitality is important and this innovative partnership will be a continuation of our long-term strategy” said Mr. Robbins.

Since 2002, the TCEDC has raised \$1.5 million in private capital to fund growing area businesses. In the last 5-years, the TCEDC has made \$3.615 million in loans, leveraging \$13.269 million in private investment, creating 137 new jobs, while maintaining loan losses of less than 1%. “This year we crossed a major benchmark, exceeding \$3 million in active loans outstanding for the first time in our history,” said Mr. Nemanic, “The investment by Butte Community Bank is an important capital infusion given the growing loan demand for small, expanding businesses in the tri-county region.”

Community Valley Bancorp, the parent company of Butte Community Bank (BCB) and the Butte Community Insurance Agency, LLC (BCIA); BCB is a progressive Northern California bank with 15 full-service branches from Yuba City to Redding combining traditional deposit and lending services with innovative banking solutions. BCIA is a full service insurance agency offering all lines of coverage from auto and health to commercial and farm packages. Community Valley Bancorp has its headquarters in Chico, California.

The Tri-County Economic Development Corporation (TCEDC) is a private, non-profit, tax-exempt corporation formed in 1985. The TCEDC is a Federally-recognized Economic Development District as

well as a State-recognized Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) which allows state tax credits to eligible tax payers who invest in TCEDC activities, and a licensed business lender in California. The TCEDC manages \$5.4 million in public and private loan funds to help growing small businesses in the tri-county region.

For more information contact Roger Hart, Butte Community Bank Vice-President and Senior Commercial Lender at 530.891.3434 x3414 or Marc Nemanic at 530.893.8732.

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